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ENGLISH VERBOTEN.

Two English nurses, Miss King and Miss Norris, both hailing from Sutton, Cambridgeshire, who have just returned to England from Berlin, say that on the whole they were treated with courtesy. One of the regulations forbade them to speak English in the street. On one occasion, Miss Norris said she happened to make a chance remark in her native tongue to Miss King, one of the principal streets in Berlin. The remark was overheard by a well-dressed German, who sternly admonished her: "How dare you speak in English here!" he said. "You know you have got to use our language." "Of the happenings in England," said Miss King, "we learned the most alarming news. We were told that Englishmen disagreed with the war, and that a revolution was actually taking place. Everybody we spoke to said the bitterest things about Sir Edward Grey. To him they attribute fact that England took part in the war, and when we left our German friends said: 'Be sure you bring him back with us so that we may shoot him.' In Germany they are selling the most horrid postcards with caricatures of our soldiers and sailors, and one postcard which is very popular among the common people represents the King as Judas."

PARALYSIS IN AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

Writing of the condition of affairs in Austria-Hungary, the Observer's Vienna correspondent stated during the third week of September:—Commerce and industry are paralysed throughout the Dual Monarchy, and the stoppage of exports threatens to ruin some of the largest industries, notably the sugar trade. Millions of pounds of sugar are sent annually from Austria to Great Britain, India and other parts abroad. Refugees are frantically endeavouring to find some means of getting their product to England via indirect routes. Outside Vienna and Budapest the aspect of the whole country is lifeless and apparently denuded of active men, and presents an appearance of stagnation and oppressive quietness. Great factories are completely shut down, furniture carried out, doors are locked, and not even a watchman is visible in the streets. The small towns are deserted save for a few children here and there, and there are scarcely any workers in the fields. The few who may be seen are chiefly women, and occasionally old men. The unemployed question is assuming serious proportions, especially in Vienna and Budapest. Many hundreds have been given work in the construction of fortifications along the Danube in the neighbourhood of Vienna, and hundreds more have been sent from the towns into the country to work in the fields.

RUSSIA'S ADMIRATION.
People Almost Worship the British Army.

"The British Navy is regarded in Petrograd, Mr. Merry stated, as the saving factor in the general situation, whilst the pluck of the British army during the retirement upon Paris has made it almost an object of worship to the Russian people. This is the statement of the Rev. W. Mansell Merry, M.A., vicar of St. Michael's, Oxford, who has just returned from the Russian capital, where he had been acting as British chaplain during the summer months."

In Petrograd, Mr. Merry stated, a Standard representative, everybody appears to be contended with the progress that has been made to date. The populace are taking things philosophically, and have tremendous confidence as to the result of the war. The Russians have no doubt whatever of their ability to crush the Austrians. The task before them in Prussia is the one which they treat most seriously. Petrograd has no fear of a naval raid. The approach is too shallow for anything but light craft, and the waters are mined for 25 miles beyond Kronstadt. Telegraphic communication (with some delay) still exists between Petrograd and Great Britain, but little or no news had arrived since the beginning of the war by letter. British newspapers, however, are finding Russia in fair numbers, confidence presumably having been placed by the Russian authorities in the English government.

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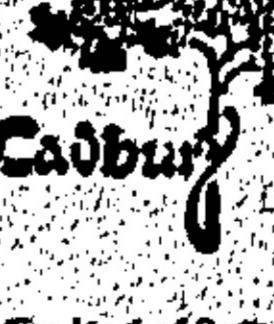
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THEIR BIRTH AND PARENTAGE.

An interesting article on the birth of the National Anthems from the pen of Mr. H. C. Colles appears in the "Musical Times," to hand by the last mail. "God save the King" has been the parent of "national anthems" in other countries, says the writer. Like so many other British institutions it was not made; it just grew. The most careful research has failed to reveal its origin. Dr. W. H. Cummings did all that could be done when, in the Musical Times of 1878, he pointed out the various sources which may have contributed their share to the formation of the melody which Henry Carey claimed as his own when he first produced it with the words which stamped it as the song of our national aspiration. The important fact is not who made up tune or words, but in what circumstances it came to be accepted as our National Anthem. There can be no doubt that that event came about as a consequence of Carey's production of it in 1740.

The occasion was a "congratulatory dinner after the taking of Porto Bello from the Spaniards by Admiral Vernon, in November, 1739. Though it celebrated a victory it was not a particularly glorious moment in our history. Wallpole had been forced into war with Spain for the protection of British trade, and this was but a small success in a complicated campaign in which a little later we were to meet with reverses leading to the resignation of the Minister. Though "God save the King" voiced the sentiment of a party of gentlemen congratulating one another over their dinner, it did not strike home immediately to a people peculiarly devoted either to God or their King. The religion and the patriotism of England were alike at a low ebb, but a bitter spirit was to come, the spirit which produced, and was in turn fostered by, such big men as Edmund Burke in politics, Samuel Johnson in social life and letters, John Wesley in the revival of religious devotion. It was in the latter half of the century when these influences were gradually gaining ground that "God save the King" struck root, because it was found to be typical of the national spirit alike in the solid splendour of its melody and the confident insularity of its words.

In times of peace—the times which we have known from the end of the Napoleonic wars until to-day—we have had some misgivings about the words, especially about those of the second verse, but we have never had the least doubt about the tune, the general appeal which it makes seem to ourselves and to other nations a fitting expression of a nation's unity. Switzerland has made it the symbol of federal independence, and those—amongst whom was the writer—who were in Switzerland lately when a general mobilization was ordered on the eve of the national festival (August 1), heard "Hail dir Helvetia" sung to the tune of "God save the King," not as a call to war, but as a prayer for protection. German imperialism has annexed the tune, as it would annex everything else, and has fitted it with stanzas as:

"Hail dir im Sieges Kraez,
Herrnher des Vaterlandes!"

"Heil Kaiser, dir!"

"Fuhl' in de' Thronen Glanz
Dir hohe Wonne gnauz!"

"Liebling des Volkes zu soir!
Heil Kaiser, dir!"

Russia, until Tsar Nicholas II., determined that his army should have a song of its own, had made similar use of it. The new Russian song came into being by Imperial command, just as Haydn's famous Austrian Hymn did. The chief difference was that Lvov wrote a tune and got words set to it; Haydn had to follow the more usual process of setting

into existence in much the same way as did "La Marseillaise," but in a time of even greater national stress, in fact, in the last great crisis through which the much-troubled state of Belgium passed before the even more terrible one which confronts it to-day.

The revolution of 1830 was the rising of the Belgian people to end an impossible amalgamation of their country with Holland under the sovereignty of King William, an amalgamation which had existed with constant friction and difficulty since the European settlement following upon Waterloo in 1815. Political conflicts of various kinds brought a tide of intense national enthusiasm upon Belgium, which culminated on August 23, 1830, in the hoisting of the old Belgian flag at Brussels, the tearing down of the royal insignia from public buildings, and the declaration of open rebellion. It was a revolt for nationality, not for a change of dynasty. Eventually Belgium was to accept the King offered to them by the Powers assembled in conference in London; all it asked was an independent state, and that it won.

It was during this revolt that Jennoval produced the words of a song fitted to the music of the hour, claiming justice for his people, having passionate reproaches upon the ruling House of Nassau, driving home the appeal of his words with a fervent refrain pointing to "the tree of liberty."

Trop généreux en sa gloire,
Le Belge qui voulait ses droits:
D'un Roi qu'elle appelaient son père
N'implorait que de justes lois:
Mais lui, dans sa furur change,
Par le canon que son fils a pointé
Au sang Belgo a noye l'orange
Sous l'arbre de la liberté.

That is the second verse of four, all of which strike the same note till the fourth, which rises to a higher plane of feeling than the thought of those who have fallen for their country:

Sous l'humble terrre ou l'en vous range
Dormez, martyrs, bataillon indompté;
Dormez en paix, loin de l'orange
Sous l'arbre de la liberté.

Jennoval himself soon joined the bataillon indompté, for he died fighting at Lierne on September 18, less than a month after the outbreak of revolt.

The tune to which these impressive words were set was composed by François van Campenhout, who, unlike the composer of "La Marseillaise," was a trained musician. His works, including six operas, make quite a formidable list, and he was a tenor singer with a reputation which extended at least into France and Holland. His position will account for everything which we feel to-day to be unsympathetic in the tune itself. "La Marseillaise" strikes home instantly to every hearer whether he knows the words or not; "Le Brabant" may appear to the uninitiated hearer to be nothing more than a fairly energetic march of the jolty kind. Campenhout evidently approached his share from outside, as a musician thinking what would appeal to the people, and writing with that end in view. His work was no doubt perfectly sincere, but it had not the intensity which either Jennoval or Rouge de Lisle brought to theirs. It is obviously influenced by "La Marseillaise," in begins with the same anacrusis, its general rhythm is of the same type. But the rhythm does not fit with common sense throughout, and it lacks that wonderful suppleness which thrills every hearer of the French song.

Campenhout's tune was undoubtedly borne into favor on the strength of Jennoval's words with which it was associated. The actual conditions to which those words refer are long past, and only the spirit behind them remains and rises to meet a situation even more critical than that which Belgium had to meet in 1830. The tune stands to-day as the symbol of that spirit by virtue of its history; but those who hear it for the first time cannot feel that it has the intrinsic qualities which would raise it above the position of a symbol into an adequate artistic expression of that spirit in the way that the tunes of "God save the King" and "La Marseillaise" express the respective aspirations of England and of France. In each of these cases the music is self-sufficient; in "La Brabant" the poet spoke through the music and merely required the music to give wings to his message. The patriotism and the pathos of Belgium are summed up in lines by Jennoval which appear upon the title-page of an edition of "La Brabant," issued shortly after his death. They may fitly end this article:

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General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, November 15.—
8 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.

9 a.m.—Al Fresco Cafe at R.C. Cathedral.

10.12 a.m.—1.30 p.m.—Gold Championship Ties at Fan Ling.

MONDAY, November 16.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Flough's.

TUESDAY, November 17.—

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Hongkong, Nov. 21, 1914.

latest telegrams to hand from this front point to the Germans making desperate efforts to press forward towards the northern French ports. Happily, as stated, they are meeting with an opposition that will be more powerful the longer it is pressed.

In the Centre, fighting is still in the region of the Aisne, Soissons and Arras and what little progress is being made is decidedly favourable to the Allies. On the Left, the Allies have had much the better of the encounters and for some time past have been on the point of finishing the enemy's career so far as fighting on French soil is concerned.

In the Eastern theatre of the war, the Russians have successfully checked the Germans' advance in the Warsaw region, have completely defeated them at several points and have now carried the battle into German territory. In Galicia the Russians still continue to find the Austrians little or no impediment in their victorious path.

Everything at present unquestionably points to the continued success of the Allies. The Germans have still an enormous Army and are continuing the struggle with great skill and desperation. They know that they are fighting for their very existence as a first-class Power and consequently are prepared to make almost any sacrifice to attain at least something approximating what they set out to achieve. They are, however, being met with a resolution as stern as their own, skill as great, troops at least as brave, who have more splendid traditions to maintain and inspire them on to victory. Every day makes it more certain that, in this fight for freedom and a civilisation superior to any likely to be founded upon militarism of the Prussian order, the Allies will certainly emerge victoriously, not alone as the defenders of their freedom and their civilisation, but as the avengers of Prussia's monstrous crime, the humiliators of her absurd ambition and the dictators of her future.

A RENOUNCED CONTRACT.

In the Supreme Court this afternoon, the Acting Chief Justice judgment was given for plaintiffs for \$4,000 and costs in an ex parte action brought by Tan Keng and Yu Yik, 74, Wing Lok Street, merchants, against Chan Sing alias Chan Fong Yin, of 63, Des Vieux Fort West, merchant.

The statement of claim showed that by an agreement in writing dated July 16, 1914, defendant agreed to purchase from plaintiff certain property registered in the Land Office as the remaining portion of section C. 1 of the Praya Reclamation Marine Lot 71. On signing the contract defendant paid \$2,500 to the plaintiff as deposit money and on Sept. 8 plaintiff gave defendant notice to complete the contract. On Sept. 11 defendant wholly renounced the contract and absolutely refused to perform the same on his part. After giving defendant due notice plaintiff resold the property for \$22,000, sustaining a loss of \$4,000.

Defendant did not enter an appearance.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Crow, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, appeared for plaintiff.

Mr. H. W. Birn, senior partner of Messrs. Palmer and Turner, architect, said he valued the property six days before the re-sale at \$22,000.

Mr. Crow gave evidence concerning the interview with defendant, stating that after excusing his delay in completing the purchase that money was too tight that he could not get it from Chinese banks, defendant said he thought he had made a bad bargain. He subsequently repudiated the contract, and the property was resold.

Plaintiff also gave evidence.

His Lordship gave judgment as stated.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

CRAIGENOWER v. HONGKOK C. CLUB. In this match on the Craigenvower ground to-morrow at 2 p.m. Craigenvower will be represented by L. A. Rose, H. A. Carralho, H. H. Taylor, W. H. Viveash, D. Y. Braga, R. Paton, W. E. Rose, D. K. Kharas, S. Jex, and J. D. Noria.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

REAR-ADMIRAL TROUBRIDGE FULLY ACQUITTED.

STEADY ADVANCE OF THE ALLIES.

PARLIAMENT OPENED BY THE KING.

REAR-ADMIRAL TROUBRIDGE FULLY ACQUITTED.

LONDON, Nov. 12.
A Court Martial has fully acquitted Rear-Admiral Ernest Troubridge, C.B., C.M.G., M.V.O., Captain and Chief of Staff of the Mediterranean Squadron, for alleged neglect in connection with the escape into the Dardanelles of the German warships "Goeben" and "Breslau."

PARLIAMENT OPENED BY THE KING.

Speech From The Throne.

LONDON, Nov. 11.
H. M. The King opened Parliament today in person, but with diminished ceremonial. Troops from the Dominions and from India lined the route to the Houses of Parliament.

The King's Speech ran:—
"The energies and the sympathies of my subjects in every part of the Empire are concentrated on the prosecution of the war to a victorious issue. My Muslim subjects know well that the rupture with Turkey was forced upon me, against my will. I recognise with appreciation and gratitude the proofs they have hastened to give me of their loyalty, devotion and support."

My Army and Navy continue to maintain in full measure their glorious traditions.

We watch and follow their steadfastness and valour with thankfulness and pride. There throughout the Empire fixed determination to secure, at whatever sacrifice, the triumph of our arms and the vindication of our cause. Due financial provision will be asked for the effective conduct of the war, and only measures will be submitted for the attainment of the great purpose on which the efforts of the Empire are set."

The speeches and addresses were noteworthy for their non-party spirit. Mr. Bonar Law, Leader of the Opposition, emphasised that there would be no amendment and only a non-partisan discussion. He considered the Allies' position good and said their resources were far greater than those of their enemies. Already the economic effect of the war was being felt in Germany.

Mr. Asquith, the Prime Minister, expressed his warm appreciation of the tone of Mr. Bonar Law's speech and of the Empire's world-wide sympathy. The war, he said, might last a long time, but the longer it lasted the more would the great resources of the Empire be available. The Empire was on its trial, but we could confidently hope to emerge champions of a just cause.

The House of Lords has adopted the Address.

BANK OF ENGLAND'S IMMENSE GOLD RESERVE.

LONDON, Nov. 12.
The Rt. Hon. F. Huth Jackson, P.C., a Director of the Bank of England, announced at a meeting of the Institute of Bankers that the gold reserve of the Bank of England stood at the unprecedented figure of sixty-nine and a half millions.

THE RUSSIANS STILL ADVANCING.

LONDON, Nov. 12, 2.30 p.m.
A Petrograd official message states that the Russians are nearing the Mazurian Lakes. In the region of Eastern Prussia there have been battles in the Goldap, Mlava and Soldau districts favouring the Russians.

The vigorous Russian offensive continues in Galicia.

Nov. 12, 1.35 p.m.

THE TURKS ROUTED.

An official announcement in Petrograd states that the Russians have turned the Turkish attempted outflanking movement at Koeprikoel into a rout, capturing prisoners and ammunition.

The Russians have occupied the Alsachkert Valley.

AMNESTY FOR SOUTH AFRICAN REBELS.

LONDON, Nov. 12.
A telegram from Pretoria states that the South African Union Government, in a Proclamation, promises an amnesty to the rebels surrendering themselves before the 21st inst., the leaders of the rebellion excepted.

THE STRUGGLE IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

Fierce Fighting.

London, Nov. 11, 6.30 p.m.
To-day's Paris communiqué says:—
On our Left Wing the battle was resumed yesterday with the greatest intensity from Nieuport to the Lys. Our front in a general way has been maintained despite the violence and strength of the German attacks against our points d'appui.

We re-occupied Lombartzyle and advanced beyond this point.

The Germans, however, towards the end of the day succeeded in taking Dixmude. We continue to hold the outskirts of the town and hold the canal from Nieuport to Ypres. The canal has been strongly occupied.

The struggle was of the fiercest character at these points.

The British were also attacked at several other points, but everywhere they stopped the enemy.

There is no change on the remainder of the front, except progress by our troops northward of Soissons and westward of Vailly. Otherwise the weather only allowed action in detail, which was favourable to our side.

We especially hustled the enemy at Conincourt, north of the Forest of Parc.

BY TELEGRAPH.

LONDON, Nov. 12, 1.30 a.m.
The official statement issued at Paris at 11 o'clock last night says: The enemy throughout the day continued yesterday's effort without achieving any fresh results.

They made a counter-attack on Lombartzyle but were repulsed.

The enemy also made vain attempts to debouch from Dixmude on to the left bank of the Yser.

There is nothing new to report from the rest of the front.

H.M.S. NIGER SUNK BY A SUBMARINE.

LONDON, Nov. 12, 1.30 a.m.
It is officially announced that H.M.S. Niger was torpedoed by a submarine in the Downs and foundered.

All the officers and 77 of the crew were saved. Four men were injured. It is believed that none perished.

H.M.S. Niger was a torpedo gunboat of 810 tons displacement. She was completed in 1894.

RUMOURED SINKING OF U.S. CRUISER BY TURKISH MINE.

LONDON, Nov. 12.
There is an unconfirmed rumour in Washington that the United States cruiser North Carolina has been sunk by a Turkish mine at Beirut.

MASSACRE OF SENLIS.

Mayer and Citizens Forced to Kneel Before Their Graves.

The following are some details of the conduct of the enemy in occupation of three of the small towns to the north of Paris:—

At Senlis, it is stated, on what appears to be good authority, that a powder shot one German soldier and wounded another as the forces entered the town.

The German command then assembled the mayor of the town and the other leading citizens, and forced them to kneel before a gun, which had already been discharged. Ration was made for various supplies and the six citizens were then taken to a neighbouring field and shot.

According to the corroborative evidence of several independent persons, twenty-four people, including women and children, were shot.

The town was then pillaged and was fired in several places before it was evacuated.

It is believed that the cathedral was not damaged, but many houses were destroyed.

Crail was also thoroughly pillaged and many houses were burnt.

At Crepy on September 3 various articles were requisitioned under threat of a fine of 100,000 francs for every day's delay in the delivery of the goods. The following list shows the amount and natures of the supplies demanded and also the actual quantities furnished:—

REQUISITIONED. FURNISHED.
Flour 29,000 20,000
Dried veg 5,000 800
Coffees 1,000 800
Salt 1,000 2,000
Oats 100,000 50,000
Red wine (litres) 2,500 (litres) 2,500

All smoked meats, ham, cloth, new boots, tobacco, biscuits, handkerchiefs, shawls, braces, stockings, horse shoes, bicycles, motor cars, petrol, etc.

Immediately on arrival a Proclamation was issued by the commander of the German division. The main points were:

That all arms were to be handed in at the Town Hall at once.

That all civilians found with arms would be shot at once.

That the person was to be in the street after dark.

That no lights were to be maintained in the houses or streets at night.

That the doors of all houses were to be left open.

That the inhabitants were not to collect in groups.

That any obstruction of the German troops or threatening of them would be immediately punished by death.

That German money was to be accepted at the rate of one mark for 1f. 25c.

At Villers Cotterets the Mayor appears to have behaved very judiciously, and though supplies for in excess of the capabilities of the place were demanded, the town was not seriously damaged.

The Germans "execute" the place on September 11 in such a way that they left behind a large amount of the bread requisitioned. It was stated by the inhabitants that the enemy destroyed and abandoned fifteen motor lorries, seven guns and ammunition wagons.

PROCLAMATION.

In the event of an action being fought either to-day or is the immediate future in the neighbourhood of Rheims, or in the town itself, the inhabitants are warned that they must remain absolutely calm and must in no way try to take part in the fighting. They must not attempt to attack either isolated soldiers or detachments of the German Army. The erection of barricades, the taking up of paving stones in the streets in the way to hinder the movements of troops, or in a word, any action that may embitter the German Army is formally prohibited.

With a view to securing absolute safety of the troops and to put calm into the population of Rheims, the persons now here have been seized as hostages for the Commander-in-Chief of the German Army. These have been held in the town until the eighteenth attempt is dislodged. After that the town will be totally in party hands and the inhabitants will be given full payment for until after the war, while at the same time there are many first-class British houses in Shanghai willing and able to do business who are not members of the principal inhabitants of Rheims with their addresses, including for reference with the world, and some others.

By order of the German authorities.

The Mayor, Dr. Lequel.

Rheims, 13th September, 1914.

Here follow the names of thirteen of the principal inhabitants of Rheims with their addresses, including for reference with the world, and some others.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1914.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

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TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, &c.

THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Connecting Steamer	Leaves YOKOHAMA	Leaves COLOMBO	Leave SHANGHAI H.H.	Leave HONG KONG	Leaves from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES AND LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES	Due at Plymouth (London 1 day later)
p.m.	Thurs.		p.m.	1000		Friday	Thursday
Nov. 19	NUBIA	Nov. 18 Nov.	20 MEDINA	Dec. 19	Dec. 24		
	ORIENTAL	Dec. 1 Dec.	5 MONGOLIA	Jan. 1	Jan. 7		
Dec. 7	MALTA	Dec. 14 Dec.	15 MALWA	Jan. 15	Jan. 21		
Dec. 21	NANKIN	Dec. 29 Jan.	2 MOREA	Jan. 20	Feb. 4		
	NUBIA	Jan. 12 Jan.	13 MALOJA	Feb. 13	Feb. 18		

THE ATTENTION of Passengers is drawn to the Accelerated Arrival of the Mail Steamers at Marseilles, Plymouth & London. These vessels will now arrive in Marseilles on Friday & London on the following Friday.

Passengers change Steamer at COLOMBO.

Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON AND MARSEILLES.

The Fares to London and Marseilles are as follows:-

LONDON	1ST SALOON "A"	ACCOMMODATION SINGLE	250. RETURN	297.
	"B"	"	232.	283.
	"B"	"	24.	288.
	"B"	"	240.	280.
		MARSEILLES		
	1ST SALOON "A"	ACCOMMODATION SINGLE	250. RETURN	291.
	"B"	"	238.	283.
	"B"	"	24.	283.
	"B"	"	238.	287.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS

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PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS.	Leave YAHUA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave H.K.	Leave S'pore	Due at MANCHESTER	Due at LONDON
	about	about	about	about	about	about
NELLORE	Nov. 9	Nov. 10	Nov. 25	Dec. 1	Dec. 28	Jan. 8
NAGOYA	Dec. 7	Dec. 17	Dec. 23	Dec. 29	Jan. 25	Feb. 3
SYRIA	Dec. 21	Dec. 31	Jan. 6	Jan. 12	Feb. 8	Feb. 17

These Steamers call also at PORT SWEETENHAM, PENANG, and COLOMBO.

FARES TO LONDON

1ST SALOON 250 SINGLE: 275 RETURN: 325.

2ND " 250 "

FARES TO MARSEILLES:

1st Saloon 250 Single.

2nd Saloon 233

All Passenger Steamers are fitted with the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy.

THE ABOVE RATE ARE SUBJECT TO A SURTAX OF 10%.

For further particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

NIPPONYUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG-SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.	DISPLACEMENT.
MARSEILLES & LONDON			
via SINGAPORE	YASAKA MARU,	WEDNESDAY, 18th	
MALACCA, PENANG,	Capt. Yamawaki, Tons 21,000	Nov. 10 a.m.	
COLOMBO, SUEZ AND PORT SAID	MIYAZAKI MARU,	WEDNESDAY, 3rd	Tons 15,000
VICTORIA, E.C., & SEAT	SADO MARU,	TUESDAY, 17th	Tons 12,500
TELE, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOKEI & YOKOHAMA	YOKOHAMA MARU,	TUESDAY, 1st	Tons 12,500
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	HIUCHI MARU,	FRIDAY, 20th	Tons 13,500
VIENNA, THURSDAY, DAY ISLAND, TOWNS-	TANGO MARU,	WEDNESDAY, 16th	Tons 13,500
VILLE AND BRIBANE		Dec. 11 a.m.	
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE	GOMBOLO MARU,	MONDAY, 23rd	Tons 8,200
AND COLOMBO		November.	
CALCUTTA VIA SINGAPORE	CEYLON MARU,	SATURDAY, 14th	Tons 10,000
PENANG AND RANGOON		November.	
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU,	FRIDAY, 20th	Tons 13,500
SHANGHAI & KOBE	RANGOON MARU,	WEDNESDAY, 18th	Tons 11,600
KAWAHOI MARU,	MONDAY, 29th		
SHANGHAI & KOBE	KAWAHOI MARU,	NOVEMBER.	
KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	KITANO MARU,	SUNDAY, 23rd	Tons 12,500
		Nov. 11 a.m.	
		3 Wireless Telegraphy.	

PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1915.
FOR EUROPE.

Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.	Leave Hongkong.
KATORI MARU	20,000 tons	Thursday, 18th January.	
KAMIO MARU	18,000 tons	Thursday, 11th February.	
KASHIMA MARU	20,000 tons	Thursday, 26th February.	
MISHIMA MARU	18,000 tons	Thursday, 11th March.	
SUWA MARU	25,000 tons	Thursday, 20th March.	
ATSUTA MARU	16,000 tons	Thursday, 2nd April.	
YASAKA MARU	25,000 tons	Thursday, 2nd April.	
MIYAKEI MARU	16,000 tons	Thursday, 2nd May.	
KITANO MARU	16,000 tons	Thursday, 2nd May.	
FUSHIMA MARU	25,000 tons	Thursday, 3rd June.	

FOR AMERICA.

Steamers.	Displacement.	Leave Hongkong.	Leave Hongkong.
ARI MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 28th January.	
SADO MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 9th February.	
YOKOHAMA MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 23rd April.	
AWA MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 10th March.	
SHIZUOKA MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 23rd April.	
DAKA MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 20th April.	
AKI MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 4th May.	
SALO MARU	12,500 tons	Tuesday, 10th May.	

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S.S. "SEATTLE MARU" Capt. T. Saito, Thursday, 26th Nov. at 3 p.m.

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NAME OF DOCK OR SHIP	LENGTH ON KEEL BLOCKS	ENTRANCE BREADTH	DEPT. MOVED IN AN ORDINARY SPRING TIDE	RISE OF TIDE SPRINGS	NEAP
KOWLOON					
No. 1 Dock, Kowloon	707	10' 10"	30'	7' 6"	
No. 2 Dock, Kowloon	871	10' 7"	18' 6"	7' 6"	
No. 3 Dock, Kowloon	254	9' 6"	14' 6"	7' 6"	
Patent Slip, No. 2, Kowloon	252	8' 6"	17'	7' 6"	
TAI-KOK-TSU	468	8' 6"	30'	7' 6"	
Commodore's Dock					
ABERDEEN					
Hopewell Dock, Lamont Dock	130	8' 6"	15'	7' 6"	

Please address inquiries to the Chief Manager,
1407.

R. M. DYKE, B.Sc., M.I.M.E., Kowloon Dock, Hongkong.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

Time Table - From 1st October 1914.

OUT

	CANTON	SHUEN SHUI	YAN MA TI	TAI PO	TAI PO MARKET	SHUEN SHUI	YAN MA TI	HUNG HOU	KOWLOON
Kowloon	6.50	7.42	9.40	11.55	2.00	3.00	4.15	7.30	
Shing Hom	6.54	9.44	11.20	2.04					
Yan Ma Ti	6.59	9.50	11.30	2.09	8.22	7.37			
Shu Shui	7.10	10.02	11.48	2.20	5.33				
Tai Po	7.23	10.22	11.02	2.33	5.40	8.01			
Tai Po Market	7.27	10.27	11.08	2.37	5.50				
Fan Ling	7.36	10.37	11.19	2.46	5.58	8.14			
Shu Shui	7.39	10.40	11.22	2.50	6.01	8.18			
Shu Shui	7.44	8.30	10.45	13.40	2.54	3.15	4.06	8.24	
Canton				11.20	0.05	6.33			

- Will stop at Shu Shui on notice being given to the guard at Kowloon.

Golfer Train. Sundays and Public Holidays.

Kowloon 8.45 a.m. Tai Po 9.15 Shu Shui 9.30

Shu Shui Kok Branch.

OUT

	SHA TAU KOK BRANCH	IN	OUT
Fan Ling	Dep. 6.05	8.20	12.30
	Arr. 7.00	9.15	1.25

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8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. every half hour. 11.00 p.m. to 11.45 p.m. every quarter of an hour.

SUNDAY.

7.45 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes. 10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes. 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes. 12.45 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 10 minutes. 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes. 2.45 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes. 3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes. 4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes. 7.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes. NIGHT CARS on Week Days.

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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the Naval Almanacs Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tam Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-8.

The zero of the sounding in the Admiralty is the zero of the tide, and is found to be 4 feet 2 inches below the level of the sea.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 8 feet 2 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 8 inches to the height given in the table.

November 14th to 20th, 1914.

HIGH WATER 1. WATER

LOW WATER 2. WATER

MEAN HIGH TIDE 3. WATER

MEAN LOW TIDE 4. WATER

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